three exploration blocks, namely, RJ-ONN-2000/1, RJ-ONN-2001/1 and RJ-ONN-2002/1 under the New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) falling in the areas of Churu, Ganganagar and Bikaner.

Decline in foreign tourists

764. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that, of late, there has been a decline in the foreign tourists to India;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the decline in foreign tourists is due to increase in incidents of kidnapping, rape and murder;

(c) if so, the number of kidnapping, rape and murder cases involving foreign tourists, reported during the last three years and the outcome of the investigations made therein; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government to make Delhi a safe city for foreign tourists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise;

(c) Since law and order is a State subject, detailed information is not available.

(d) The Government of Delhi has taken various steps to make Delhi a safe city for foreign tourists. These include:

- Delhi Tourism and Transportation Development Corporation Limited (DTTDC) is running Tourist Information Centres at various strategic points of Delhi, which act as complaint receiving centres.
- DTTDC proposes to set up Tourist Police at a few sites including IGI Airport on experimental basis.
- DTTDC also proposes to introduce Complaint Box in its website for lodging complaints through its website.